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For: **Substituted 4H-Chromene and  
Analogues as Activators of Caspases  
and Inducers of Apoptosis and the  
Use Thereof**

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**First Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement  
and Fee Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c)**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Listed on accompanying Form PTO-1449 are documents that may be considered material to the examination of this application, in compliance with the duty of disclosure requirements of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98. A copy of each of these documents is provided. The numbering of documents in this First Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is a continuation of the numbering in Applicants' Information Disclosure Statement, filed April 16, 2001, submitted in connection with the above-captioned application.

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It is respectfully requested that the Examiner initial and return a copy of the enclosed PTO-1449 and indicate in the official file wrapper of this patent application that the documents have been considered.

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